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Marina Reader

Long Beach Marinas

Alamitos Bay Marina, Long Beach Shoreline Marina, and Rainbow Harbor Marina

From the Manager

Over the last few weeks the marina office has received customer complaints regarding security of the marinas, the homeless, and lack of enforcement. Concerns include: lack of parking enforcement, homeless encampments, uninvited strangers boarding vessels, and the increase in vagrants in our parking lots.

Your safety and the safety of your property is extremely important to us, please contact the office when an incident occurs regardless of the magnitude. Marine Operations Staff, Marine Patrol, Lifeguards, and the City are working together to mitigate these issues.

The boat owner parking spaces at Shoreline Marina and Alamitos Bay Marina are within the same footprint as public parking. It is not unusual for a member of the public to park in our restricted spaces. When this occurs contact the non-emergency Police Department number 562-435-6711 and request that a Marine Patrol Officer be dispatched to address illegal parking in a restricted area. Please keep in mind that this type of phone call is not a priority call and the officer may not arrive for several minutes. You can also contact parking enforcement at 562-570-6822.

Regarding safety, the Police Department has submitted a Homeland Security grant application on our behalf for the installation of security cameras with a direct feed to the Police Department at all three marinas. We recently installed Flash Cams in various strategic areas and plan to install additional cameras provided we have the needed infrastructure in place. We are also working with Marine Patrol on completing an assessment under the

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) program. This is an international approach to deterring criminal behavior by altering the environmental design of municipal facilities, such as removing foliage to eliminate hiding places, and enhanced lighting. If you are curious about this program, you can find information on the internet. In the next few weeks, we will roll out the Marina Watch Program, which somewhere along the line faded away years ago.

Each of you is a set of eyes and ears that can contribute to the safety of our community. Make those calls for service and if the officer response to the situation is not satisfactory ask to speak to the supervisor. If that experience is unsatisfactory, contact me at 562-570-3215.

Both Marina Management and Marine Patrol Management are committed to addressing our security issues. In November, we will have two additional fully trained Marine Patrol officers, giving us 20 officers in total. An additional, three officers will complete their training in March and we are waiting on approval to hire one more officer. Please make those calls for service and file an incident report with marina office staff.

I leave you with the following Thanksgiving prayer - "may you be blessed with the strength to face your challenges, the courage of your convictions and love to see you through". On behalf of staff, we are grateful for each one of you. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Elvira Hallinan
Manager, Marinas and Beaches

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A Salute To All Those Who Serve Our Country

Veterans Day

THANK YOU To Our Veterans

Veterans Day is the day we celebrate and pay tribute to veterans and soldiers of our country who defend and keep us protected.

Here are a few of the best, funniest, and even odd veteran and veterans day facts to read, share and enjoy with your family, friends and our veterans.

- Veterans are people who served in the military (US Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard) in times of war or peace.

- In the United States, Veterans Day is celebrated on November 11 every year, the same day that World War I hostilities formally ended (at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month).

- Veterans Day, which pays tribute to all veterans, living or dead, differs from Memorial Day during which we pay tribute to those who lost their lives in combat.

- There are currently over 2 million female veterans in the United States.

- 3 states are home to more than a million veterans. California: 1.8 million, Florida: 1.5 million, and Texas 1.7 million.

- Raymond Weeks, a World War II veteran from Alabama, came up with the thought in 1945 to recognize all veterans on November 11th, not simply the ones who had lost their lives in World War I.

- Raymond Weeks was given the Presidential Citizenship Medal from Ronald Reagan in 1982.

- Every year on Veterans Day there is a function held in Arlington Cemetery to respect all who have passed on in war.

- There are roughly 24 million veterans living today.

- There were roughly 400,000 individuals from the United States military slaughtered amid World War II.

- Give or take 35% of the veterans living today served in the United States military in the Vietnam War.

- By and large, the individuals who have served in the military in the United States, including men and women, gain more than the individuals who have not served.

- There shouldn't be a punctuation in Veterans Day. Still, some spell it Veteran's Day or Veterans' Day.

- Veterans make up 12% of the adult homeless population.

- 70% of homeless veterans suffer from substance abuse, while 50% experience mental health issues such as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), which makes it harder to maintain relationships and hold down a job.

- Veterans Day is always observed on Nov. 11 with speeches and parades across the U.S.

- The holiday began as Armistice Day on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I.

- In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation changing the name to Veterans Day in order to honor veterans of all American wars.

- On November 11, 1921, an unidentified American soldier killed in the war was buried at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. It is called the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. An official wreath-laying ceremony is held each Veterans' Day at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery. Usually the president, or another high-ranking government official, lays the wreath on the grave.



- Britain, France, Australia and Canada also commemorate the veterans of World Wars I and II on or near November 11th. Canada has Remembrance Day, while Britain has Remembrance Sunday (the second Sunday of November). In Europe, Britain and the Commonwealth countries, it is common to observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m. every November 11.

- Veterans' Day should not be confused with Memorial Day. According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, "Memorial Day (the fourth Monday in May) honors American service members who died in service to their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle, while Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans—living or dead—but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime."

On November 11th take time to remember our veterans and more importantly, if you know a vet take the time to say Thank you.

From all of us at the Long Beach Marinas THANK YOU for your service.

It's Thanksgiving, You Know What That Means Trees In The Bay

Unique to Long Beach, the Trees in the Bay will once again light the waterways with festivity. It used to be that people came to Long Beach to see the Queen Mary and they still do, but many visitors come to our beautiful City during the holidays to see the Trees in the Bay. Photos of the Christmas Trees have been featured in several newspapers, magazines, publications, and on holiday cards, both locally and nationally.



Staff maintenance starts in early September.

The Marine Maintenance staff begins shortly after Labor Day inspecting, repairing, painting, and stringing the lights to ready the trees for placement throughout the bay and in Rainbow Harbor. When all these elements are completed they are towed to their locations, set in place with lines and weights, and then connected to their power source.

The Trees in the Bay are in place and will light up each evening throughout the entire holiday season beginning Thanksgiving weekend. This is a glorious sight; over 70 multi-colored and white trees celebrate the essence of the season with their stunning reflections across the water.

The tradition began in 1949 when resident Don May put a live Christmas tree on a float and set it in Alamitos Bay. In 1953 the first of the now familiar triangular wooden structures was used instead of a live tree.

In the 1970s, when budget cuts threatened to cut the program out, residents came to the rescue and began paying the City to build, maintain, and cover the cost of electricity.

Today this tradition is still in place due to support from several organizations and individuals. Those organizations include Spinnaker Cove Slip Owner's Association, Alamitos

Heights Improvement Association, Peninsula Beach Preservation Group, the Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB), the Downtown Long Beach Business Association (DLBA), and Trees in the Bay. Donations to support the Trees in the Bay Program are accepted by Partners of Parks To make a donation, call (562) 570-3209 for information.

The holidays tend to be a busy time of year but do yourself a favor and take some time to visit our nationally recognized waterfront. In addition to the Trees in the Bay many local residents decorate their homes for everyone to enjoy.



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It's Time.

Update Your Parking Pass Before January 1, 2018

Attention ALL Marina Boaters It Is Time To Update Your Vehicle Parking Passes

As we move into a new year it is time to update your vehicle parking passes. Continuing our practice from last year, we will be issuing new parking passes to all of our customers on an annual basis. It is not necessary to return 2017 expired passes.

Motor vehicles parked in the marina parking lots overnight or using spaces designated for marina boat owners are required to display up-to-date parking passes in order to avoid a citation. You should have received a letter and permittee information sheet in the mail, please complete the information sheet and bring it into the office when you pick up your passes.

Slip permittees and their spouses (as listed on file with the Marina Office) may pick up parking passes. Additional parties, who are percentage ownership partners on a vessel (as listed on file with the Marina Office), may also pick up their individual parking passes (one pass per partner).



Starting January 1, 2018 cars not displaying a new parking pass will be cited. Contact the marina office for details.

Parking passes will be issued during normal business hours. The Alamitos Bay Marine and Shoreline Marina offices are open Monday through Friday from 7:30AM to 5:30PM and Sunday from 7:30AM to 4:30PM for your convenience.

When you visit the office to pick up your new passes please bring the following items:

- Completed permittee information sheet (Some permit files require updating, and collecting up-to-date customer information as part of the parking pass distribution process, helps our office maintain your customer records as correct and complete).

- Current permittee vehicle registration (The parking passes will not be vehicle specific but having this information on-file allows Marine Patrol quicker access to your information in the event of a problem).

As a reminder, Marine Patrol will cite any vehicle that does not have their current decal beginning January 1, 2018.

If you have any questions please contact your marina office.

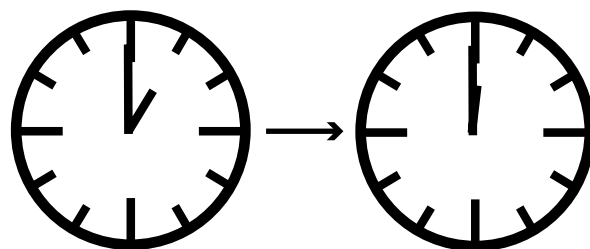
Office phone number are as follows:

Long Beach Shoreline (562) 570-4950

Alamitos Bay (562) 570-3215

Rainbow Harbor (562) 570-8636.

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Dan Hernandez Youth Foundation Fishing Tackle Swap Meet

The Dan Hernandez Youth Foundation provides youth with an opportunity to learn the fundamentals of fishing, emphasizing good sportsmanship, environmental awareness, marine science, safety and fun. The Foundation, unlike any other, offer lifetime experiences to children, their families, and their communities throughout California. Since its inception in 2001, Dan has touched the lives of hundreds of thousands of children and their families introducing many of them to the sport of fishing for the first time.

On Saturday, November 4, 2017, the Daniel Hernandez Youth Foundation will be hosting a fishing tackle swap meet in the Alamitos Bay Marina – Basin 3. The event is free to attend and all shoppers are welcome. Pre-registration is not necessary for sellers but is helpful. The cost is \$40 per space. Clean out your garage and put some extra spending money in your pocket while helping a great program. For more information please call (562) 865-3764.

Because of the generous support of the community, programs continue to expand, touching more kids each year. For more information about the Daniel Hernandez Youth Foundation and all of its upcoming free kids fishing events, visit www.danskids.org, or call (562) 865-3764.

Marine Bureau Holiday Operating Schedule

Below are the dates and operating hours of the marina offices during November, December and January.

November 23

Thanksgiving Day
All offices will be CLOSED

November 24

Friday following Thanksgiving
All offices will be open from 10 AM – 4 PM

December 24

Christmas Eve
All offices will be open from 10 AM - 2 PM

December 25

Christmas Day
All offices will be CLOSED

December 31

New Year's Eve
All offices will be open from 10 AM - 2 PM.

January 1

New Year's Day
All offices will be CLOSED

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